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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROFUMI SUDA ET AL.

Application No.: 09/371,537

Filed: August 10, 1999

For: DATA COMMUNICATION
APPARATUS, DATA
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, DATA
COMMUNICATION METHOD AND
STORAGE MEDIUM

Examiner: N.K. Vu,

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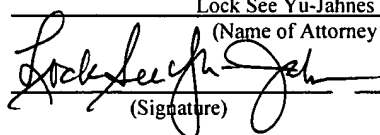
A Continued Prosecution Application was filed in the above-identified application on March 20, 2002, along with a request for a three-month suspension of action.

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